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EIGHTEEN AND MEX NINETEEN AT CHARLES SMALL WHICH WAS REWRITTEN
AT BUREAU TO FURTHER PROTECT SOURCES AND COPY OF WHICH HAS BEEN
FURNISHED TO YOU.

DESPITE THE OBJECTIONS VOICED IN YOUR APRIL NINE AIRTEL
TO INTERVIEW OF SMALL BY MEXICAN OR AMERICAN OFFICIALS, IT IS
POSSIBLE THAT COMMISSION MAY DESIRE SMALL BE INTERVIEWED.
GAREFULLY CONSIDER THIS AND SUBMIT YOUR OPINION AS TO BEST
MANNER IN WHICH SUCH INTERVIEW COULD BE HANDLED CONSISTENT WITH
PROTECTING YOUR SOURCES. IN VIEW OF COMMENTS OF YOUR SOURCES
AS SET FORTH IN RE LETTERHEAD, IT IS DESIRED THAT YOU REVIEW YOUR
FILE ON SMALL AND CHECK RECORDS MEXICAN IDMIGRATION SERVICE
TO DETERMINE SMALL'S ALIEN STATUS IN MEXICO AND TO DEVELOP
SPECIFIC INFORMATION AS TO DATE HE DEPARTED NEW YORK IN MAY 1 1964
SEPTEMBER, SIXTY THREE, AND DATE HE RETURNED TO MEXICO CITY.

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THE NATURE OF THE ASSISTANCE SMALL GIVES TO THE AMERICAN COMMUNISTS WHO, WHEN VISITING MEXICO, APPEAR AT HIS PLACE OF BUSINESS. IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR SURVEY OF KEY INFORMANTS CONCERNING OSWALD REFERRED TO IN YOUR CABLE NUMBER FIVE EIGHT ONE SET FORTH IN LETTERHEAD RE SMALL THE NUMBER OF SOURCES WHO COULD FURNISH NO INFORMATION TO INDICATE THAT OSWALD EVER APPEARED AT SMALL'S STORE. HANDLE IMMEDIATELY.

NOTE:

APPROVED BY Mex 18 and Mex 19 are part of a group of 4 individuals in Mexico City active in communist circles and in affairs of FPCC. One of these individuals is Charles Small who, in December and January, told the informants that he was worried about possible harassment by Mexicon police as he considered it possible Oswald may have visited his jewelry store when in Mexico. No info has been developed to establish that such was the case and Small has not indicated to sources that he, in fact, knew or met Oswald. Small claimed to sources that he was out of Mexico during Oswald's trip to Mexico City; however, the sources report that Small returned to Mexico, exact date not stated, polor to the time Oswald reportedly left Mexico. In view of Commission's intense interest in identifying all places visited by Oswald in Mexico City, we regard it as likely they will ask that Small be interviewed. Legat's 4-9 airtel recommended against this as interviewing him about Oswald and a possible visit to Small's store would point to the informants as sources. Furthermore, Small has heart condition. Believed advisable to alert Legat to possibility of request for interview of Small and to have him thinking as to best means to accomplish this. Requested inquiry if negative and if we can show Small was in US during 5-day period Oswald was in Mexico, may forestall request for interview of Small. Informants believe that Small's fear of Mexican police harassment was part of the general concern to members of the American communist group in Mexico after reading that Oswald had been in Mexico.